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| <b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b> | <b>Application No.</b> | <b>Applicant(s)</b> |  |
|   | 09/848,932             | HOFFMAN ET AL.      |  |
|   | <b>Examiner</b>        | <b>Art Unit</b>     |  |
|   | Lourdes Cruz           | 2827                |  |

**All Participants:**

(1) Lourdes Cruz.

(2) MR. J. Parson.

**Status of Application:** Allowance after this interview

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**Date of Interview:** 5 September 2003

**Time:** 2:12 PM

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

**Rejection(s) discussed:**

*Possible rejection unless amended over US 5371321, US 5365107*

**Claims discussed:**

*11-31*

**Prior art documents discussed:**

*see above*

**Part II.**

**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.



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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner Cruz contacted Mr. Parson to get authorization to amend the Application by examiner's amendment incorporating subject matter from claims 12, 22, and 30 into the independent claims they each depend upon. The examiner provided Mr. Parsons with the US patent No.s above and discussed possible rejections if an amendment did not result from the interview. Mr. Parson kindly agreed to contact his client and get authorization for the examiner's amendment, and promptly contacted the examiner back. Mr. Parson authorized the amendments found herein in the Notice of Allowance, and made himself available for the examiner to discuss the Application. .